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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT PRIOR TO ACTION ON THE MERITS Sir:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, prior to line 4, insert the following paragraph.

-- CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims the benefit of PCT/CA03/00724 which was filed on May 15, 2003 and US Provisional Patent Application No. 60/433,032 which was filed on December 13, 2002 entitled NETWORK TRAFFIC ANALYSIS FOR DENIAL OF SERVICE IDENTIFICATION by the same inventor, Gary Lorne MacIsaac.--